Remarks

Pending United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/103,087 was made the subject of a Restriction Requirement in the office action dated May 20, 2003. Applicants had elected Group I of the '087 application, claims 1-31, 51 and 52, for prosecution and canceled all non-elected claims without prejudice to the presentation of same in divisional applications. Upon entry of the Preliminary Amendment, claims 32-40, those included in Group II of the original Restriction Requirement, are pending in this application.

Applicants respectfully submit that claims 32-40 are patentable and earnestly request a notice of allowance to that affect.

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